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DOUBLE RUSSIAN VIOLET



# HEREFORD'S GARDENS

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Hardy Wildflowers, Ferns  
Perennials and Rock-Plants

SPRING • 1944 • FALL



MERTENSIA

TROLLIUS Ledebouri





# HARDY WILD FLOWERS

PLEASE NOTE: Plants are listed in price groups

## GROUP I

15c each; 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.25; 100 for \$10.00

**ANEMONE canadensis** (*Windflower*). An attractive plant 12 to 16 inches in height producing pure white flowers in May. Grows in sun or light shade.

**Thalictrides** (*Rue-Anemone*). Pretty woodland plant 6 to 8 inches high. Flowers of pure white are borne in clusters during April. Foliage dainty.

**AQUILEGIA canadensis** (*Wild Columbine*). Very hardy plant which grows 24 to 30 inches tall. Flowers are red with yellow corolla, borne on many branching stems in late April and May. Grows well in sun or shade.

**ARISAEMA triphyllum** (*Jack-in-the-Pulpit*). The calla-like maroon flowers appear in April and May. Produces large attractive leaves and a large seed-cluster of red berries. Height 12 to 16 inches. Prefers a moist, shady location.

**ASARUM canadense** (*Wild Ginger*). Low-growing plant 4 to 6 inches high with round leaves on hairy stems. Flowers of rich maroon are borne close to the ground during April. Grows in shade.

**CLAYTONIA virginica** (*Spring Beauty*). Blooms very early, producing dainty pink flowers in clusters. Leaves are blade-like. Height 4 to 6 inches. Grows in light shade.

**DELPHINIUM tricorne** (*Wild Larkspur*). This plant grows 12 to 16 inches tall. Its dark blue, spurred flowers are borne on short spikes. Grows in light or full shade.

**DICENTRA canadensis** (*Squirrel-Corn*). A small plant which does best in shade. White and pinkish flowers are borne on 3 to 4-inch arching stems.

**Cucullaria** (*Dutchmans Breeches*). Light green lacy foliage. Flowers are white and pink with yellow tip, prettily arranged on 5 to 6-inch curving stems. Blooms in April. Grows in light or full shade.

**DODECATHEON Meadia** (*Shooting-Star*). The leaves are produced close to the ground. Very pretty orchid and pink cyclamen-like flowers are borne in clusters on slender wiry stems 12 to 16 inches tall. Will grow in sun or shade.

**ERYTHRONIUM albidum** (*Adders-Tongue*). Green mottled leaves and white lily-shaped flowers on 6 to 8-inch stems in April. Grows in sun or shade.

**Americanum** (*Trout-Lily*). Green mottled leaves; bright yellow flowers on 6-inch stems during April. Grows in shade.

**GERANIUM maculatum** (*Cranesbill*). Attractive plant with leaves that resemble bedding geraniums. Large single deep pink flowers are borne on 18-inch stems in April and May. Grows in light shade.

**HEPATICA triloba** (*Liverwort*). Leaves are dark green tinted with maroon, and remain green all summer and winter. New leaves appear at blooming time, very early in the spring. Flowers are light pink, orchid, and blue, on 6 to 8-inch stems. Plant in shade.

**MERTENSIA virginica** (*Bluebells*). Pink and blue buds open into blue bell-shaped flowers. Produced freely in large clusters on 12 to 16-inch stems. Blooms in late April and May. Very pretty when grouped with tulips, planted among shrubbery, or naturalized in wooded areas.

**PHLOX bifida** (*Cleft Phlox*). Blooms very early in the spring. The star-shaped flowers range from light to deepest blue and completely cover the plant when in full bloom. Plants grow 4 to 6 inches high. Grow in full sun or shade. Very pretty in rock-gardens.

**divaricata** (*Sweet William or Blue Phlox*). Very fragrant flowers borne in spreading clusters on 12 to 16-inch stems. Colors range from light blue, lilac to darkest lavender. Very pretty planted among shrubbery, grouped in the border, or naturalized. Plant in light or full shade.

**PODOPHYLLUM peltatum** (*May-Apple*). Large light green leaves open like an umbrella on 12 to 16-inch stems. Creamy white flowers about two inches across are borne at base of leaf. Fruits are light green, resembling an apple in shape. Grows in shady places.

**POLYGONATUM biflorum** (*Solomons-Seal*). Tall-growing plant 2 to 3 feet high. Leaves grow alternately, close to stems. Little bell-shaped yellowish flowers are borne under the arching stem. The dark blue berries make the plant quite attractive during summer. Grows in light or full shade.

**RANUNCULUS fascicularis** (*Buttercup*). Deep yellow flowers on 6 to 8-inch stems during April. The dark green leaves are quite attractive. Grows in moist shady locations.

**SANGUINARIA canadensis** (*Bloodroot*). Large pure white flowers are produced early in spring on 6 to 8-inch stems. Leaves unfold about the time of bloom and grow to be quite large. They are grayish green and remain green throughout the summer. Grows in light shade.

**SMILACINA racemosa** (*False Spikenard*). Oblong leaves with heavy veins on 18 to 24-inch arching stems. White flowers are borne in clusters on tip of stems, followed by clusters of red berries in summer. Grows in light or full shade.

**Stellata** (*False Solomons-Seal*). Similar to the above, except that leaves are narrow. Flowers are larger but fewer in cluster; berries larger. Grows in shade.

**THALICTRUM dioicum** (*Meadow-Rue*). Prized for its very fine foliage. Leaves are divided into many smooth-lobed, drooping leaflets. Greenish white flowers, followed by large blue berries during summer and fall. Grows in shade.

**TRADESCANTIA virginiana** (*Spiderwort*). Clusters of pretty blue flowers on 2-foot stems during June. Foliage is gray-green, in ribbon-like blades. Grows in sun.

**TRILLIUM erectum** (*Purple Trillium*). Large broad leaves, three in a whorl, on thick 12-inch stems. Purplish red flower is borne at base of leaf stems during April. Grows in shade.

**Grandiflorum** (*Large White Trillium*). One of the finest and largest of the Trilliums. Flowers are pure white, turning pink at close of blooming period—late April and May. Prefers light or full shade.

**Recurvatum** (*Prairie Trillium*). Mottled green leaves are borne three in a whorl on 12 to 16-inch thick red stems. Flowers of velvety reddish purple are produced at top of stem between leaves. Blooms in late April and May. Grows in shade.

**VIOLA blanda** (*Sweet White Violet*). Light green, heart-shaped leaves. Large white flowers are borne on numerous stems during May. Height 3 to 4 inches. Will grow in sun or shade.

**Pedata** (*Birds-foot Violet*). Leaves are divided, resembling a bird's foot. Large, light blue, pansy-like flowers in late April and May, on 4 to 6-inch stems. Blooms heavily in spring and again in the fall. Grows in sun or light shade.

**Pubescens** (*Downy Yellow Violet*). Plants grow upright, 6 to 8 inches high. Leaves are light green and somewhat heart-shaped; bright yellow flowers in April and May. Grows in shade.

**Rotundifolia** (*Roundleaf Yellow Violet*). Attractive shiny round leaves at base of plant. Pretty yellow flowers are borne on 2 to 4-inch stems in late April and May.

## GROUP II

25c each; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75; 100 for \$15.00

**ACTAEA alba** (*White Baneberry*). Very beautiful plant. The stalk and leaf-stems are reddish, and the leaves are lance-shaped and spreading. White flowers in racemes on the 2 to 2½-foot stems, followed by very nice white berries. Grows in shade.

**Rubra** (*Red Baneberry*). Very similar to the White form; foliage and flowers much alike. Flowers are followed by large cluster of red berries. Grows in shade.

**ASCLEPIAS tuberosa** (*Butterfly-Weed*). Very desirable for its flowers during summer when blooms are scarce. Brilliant orange flowers are borne in arching racemes on 18 to 24-inch stems. Valuable for cutting. Will grow in full sun or light shade.

**ASTER novae-angliae** (*New England Aster*). This plant is densely clothed with narrow lanceolate leaves. Flowers of dark lavender with yellow centers are borne in profusion during August and September on 3 to 5-foot branching stems. Grows in sun with moisture.

**BAPTISIA australis** (*Blue Indigo*). Very fine perennial. Glossy, bluish green leaves; dark blue, pea-shaped flowers on 2 to 3-foot spikes. Blooms in late May or June. Grows in full sun.

**Tinctoria** (*Yellow Indigo*). Leaves are smaller and lighter green in color, prettily arranged on slender branching stems. Flowers of pure yellow are produced on spikes that attain a height of 2 to 2½ feet. Grows in full sun.

**CALLA palustris** (*Wild Calla*). This plant prefers a very moist or boggy location. Resembles calla-lily, but smaller. Grows 12 to 16 inches high. Blooms in early spring in full sun.

**CALTHA palustris** (*Marsb-Marigold*). One of the most showy early-blooming wild flowers. Does best planted in small streams or where soil is very moist; will grow in drier soil but with less vigor. Flowers are rich yellow, borne in clusters on short stems well above the round, glossy green leaves. Maximum height 12 to 16 inches. Will grow in sun or shade.

**EUPATORIUM ageratoides** (*Mist-Flower*). Plants grow 3 to 4 feet tall. Branching stems produce misty white flowers in clusters. Grows in shade.

**Celestinum** (*Hardy Ageratum*). Very desirable for border or woodland. Pretty misty blue flowers in dense heads during July and August on 18 to 24-inch stems. Will grow in sun or light shade.

**EUPHORBIA corollata** (*Flowering Spurge*). A very useful cut-flower used like babys-breath but blooming in late summer when babys-breath is past. Plants grow 3 to 4 feet tall, branching freely at top. Broad clusters of closely set white flowers make it very dainty. Grows in full sun.

**Cyparissias** (*Cypress Spurge*). Very pretty plant with compact, dense foliage. Looks like a small cypress tree. Flowers are yellow; borne on short spikes above the dense foliage, 12 to 16 inches high. May be used in rock-gardens or as a ground-cover in sun or shade.

**GENTIANA Andrewsii** (*Bottle Gentian*). One of the hardest of the Gentian family, growing 12 to 16 inches high. Leaves are opposite. Flowers of deep blue, about 1 inch in length, are closed like buds that never open, giving them the appearance of a bottle. They are produced in a cluster at the top of the plant. Grows in sun or shade.

**HYDRASTIS canadensis** (*Goldenseal*). Has large, compound, sharply toothed leaves. Greenish yellow flowers are produced at top of plant, about 12 to 16 inches tall. Fruit resembles a raspberry. Grows in full shade.

**LIATRIS scariosa** (*Blazing Star*). Button-shaped, clear lavender flowers closely set on spikes that reach a height of 3 to 4 feet. Blooms during the summer, usually in August and September. A valuable cut-flower easy to grow. Plant in sun or light shade.

**LOBELIA cardinalis** (*Cardinal-Flower*). This plant is usually found growing in marshy places but will do well in hardy borders and gardens if kept well watered. Velvety red flowers are produced on tall spikes 3 to 4 feet in height, during August and September. Grows in sun or shade.

**Siphilitica** (*Great Blue Lobelia*). Very similar to the preceding in height and habit of growth. Flowers are rich blue, closely set on erect spikes. Will grow in light or full shade.

**MENTHA spicata** (*Spearmint*). This plant is prized for its fragrant leaves. Short spikes of lavender flowers. Prefers sunny locations.

**POLEMONIUM reptans** (*Jacobs-Ladder*). A fine plant for the rock-garden or low border. Very dainty foliage and light blue bell-shaped flowers are produced on 8 to 12-inch stems in April and May. Grows in sun or light shade.

**TRILLIUM cernuum** (*Nodding Trillium*). Has large leaves on 12 to 16-inch stems. The white flowers turn downward, which gives them the appearance of nodding. Blooms in May. Grows in shade.

**Nivale** (*Snow Trillium*). The miniature Trillium, growing about 6 inches high. Very showy white flowers are borne at the top of plant, just above the three dark green, pointed leaves. Blooms in early April. Grows in shade.

**Stylosum** (*Rose Trillium*). Very pretty rose-colored flowers on 12 to 16-inch stems above the attractive green leaves. Blooms in April. Grows in shade.

**Undulatum** (*Painted Trillium*). Strong plants, 12 to 15 inches tall. Flowers are fairly large, white with red markings. Blooms in May. Grows in shade.

**UVULARIA grandiflora** (*Bellwort*). Plants are very unusual, with each leaf growing completely around the stem. Light yellow flowers are produced during May on 16 to 18-inch stems. Grows in light or full shade.

**Perfoliata** (*Wood Merrybells*). Oblong leaves evenly arranged on slender stems reaching a height of 12 to 16 inches. Drooping yellow flowers are produced during May. Grows in shade.

**Sessilifolia** (*Little Merrybells*). Dainty foliage on a plant 10 to 12 inches high. Bright yellow flowers in May. Grows in shade.

**VIOLA palmata** (*Palm-leaf Violet*). Has dark green leaves, deeply cut. Deep blue flowers are borne freely during April and May on 4 to 6-inch stems. Grows in partial shade.

**Pedata bicolor** (*Two-color Birds-foot Violet*). Finely cut, lacy leaves. Blue and purple flowers like miniature pansies are borne on 4 to 6-inch stems during May. Blooms again in the fall. Grows in sun or light shade.

## GROUP III

35c each; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.75; 100 for \$25.00

**CYPRIPEDIUM acaule** (*Pink Lady-slipper*). Plants have large leaves and a strong flower-stalk 10 to 12 inches high. The large slipper is rose-pink in color. Blooms in May. Grows in shade. Soil should be acid for best results.

**Pubescens** (*Yellow Lady-slipper*). Very vigorous grower attaining a height of 12 to 16 inches. Plants have oblong pointed leaves and pretty little yellow slippers with brown strings in May. Very striking. Grows in light shade.

**Spectabile** (*Showy Lady-slipper*). The large species, reaching a height of 18 to 24 inches. Oblong leaves and downy plant stems. The large white slippers are flecked with crimson. Blooms in May. Plant in moist shade.

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RISAEMA TRIPHYLLUM (Jack-in-the-Pulpit)



PHLOX DIVARICATA



CYPRIPEDIUM ACAULE

## GENERAL LIST OF HARDY PERENNIAL PLANTS

**AJUGA reptans\*** (*Bugle-Weed*). Dwarf, creeping perennial suitable for rock-garden edging or carpeting bare spots. It grows only 3 to 4 inches high and has deep purplish blue flowers in May and June. Will thrive in good ordinary soil in sun or shade. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**ANCHUSA myosotidiflora\*** (*Alkanet*). Handsome dwarf perennial with clusters of bright blue forget-me-not-like flowers in May and June. Does well in deep, well-drained soil in sun or shade. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**ANEMONE japonica, September Charm** (*Japanese Anemone*). One of the finest fall-blooming perennials. Delicate, silvery pink flowers are freely produced on nice shapely plants about the middle of September. 2 feet in height. Does best in a partly shady location with adequate moisture. 2-in. plants, sure to bloom, each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**AQUILEGIA, Crimson Star.** One of the later introductions. Beautiful crimson flowers with white corollas are borne freely on long, graceful, branching stems in May and June. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**Dreer's Long-spurred Hybrids.** Remarkably fine strain which has lovely, long-spurred flowers in many shades of blue, purple, pink, red and yellow, in May and June. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**ARTEMISIA, Silver King.** A striking, shrubby, white-leaved contrast plant 30 inches high. Its beautiful silvery sprays are used for setting off bouquets. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**ASTER, Frikarti (Wonder of Staefa).** The plant, highly prized for its late summer flowering, attains a height of 24 to 30 inches and branches quite freely. Lavender-blue flowers are produced from early August until late October. 2-in. plants, sure to bloom. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**CAMPANULA (Bellflower).**

**Glomerata superba.\*** Should be in every garden. Grows about 20 inches high and has dark violet blooms from bottom of spike to top, in June and July. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**Latifolia.** An excellent border plant growing 2 feet high and having an abundance of large heads of blue bell-shaped flowers all up the spike. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**Persicifolia grandiflora (Large Willow Bellflower).** Border plant having large, blue, cup-shaped flowers on tall spikes. Good for cutting. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

### CHRYSANTHEMUM

**MAXIMUM, Alaska (Shasta Daisy).** Easily grown perennial with large, glistening white blossoms having yellow centers. The pyramidal bush attains a height of 3 feet. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**CUSHION VARIETIES.** This is a type of low-growing Mums that forms very compact growth with dense foliage that is a mound of color when in bloom. They grow about 12 to 16 inches high and if not planted too close together will be as broad as they are tall, thus the pretty mound-shaped plant.

**Red Cushion.** Brilliant red.

**Pink Cushion.** Bright pink.

**Bronze Cushion.** Deep bronze, turning to bronzy coppery yellow.

**White Cushion.** Opens delicate pink, turning pure white as flower develops.

Any of above: Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00

**CLEMATIS integrifolia.** The bushy herbaceous type of Clematis with a height of 18 to 24 inches. The foliage is a beautiful green, and porcelain-blue flowers adorn the plant in midsummer. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

**Recta.** A herbaceous type of Clematis with finely cut, very pretty foliage and beautiful pure white flowers in clusters on the 2 to 3-foot leafy stems. The flowers have a most pleasing fragrance. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

**CARNATION, Hardy Border, Crimson King.** A very hardy upright plant prized for its brilliant red flowers borne all summer in clusters on 12 to 16-inch stems. 2-in., strong plants, sure to bloom, each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**CENTAUREA dealbata.** A handsome border plant about 2 feet high, with striking rosy purple flowers in June and July. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Macrocephala.** Tall, upright plant 3 feet high with large, thistle-like yellow blooms in June and July. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**DELPHINIUM (Larkspur).** This is probably the most popular flower grown. The stately plants are very excellent for the border and the flowers are very desirable for cutting. Delphiniums like the sun and require good rich, deeply cultivated alkaline loam.

**Belladonna Improved, Cliveden Beauty.** The finest Belladonna, growing 4 feet high and having lovely light blue flowers. Blooms early and throughout the summer. Very graceful and especially good for cutting. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Bellamosum.** Like the Belladonna but flowers are dark blue. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Chinensis, Cambridge Blue.** Attractive plant with finely cut foliage. Cambridge Blue is a new shade added to the Chinensis group—a rich vivid light blue. The large flowers, spaced on 3-foot spikes, appear throughout the summer. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**Dreams of Beauty Hybrid.** One of the finest we have ever seen. Has wonderful iridescent blooms ranging from lightest sky-blue to deepest gentian-blue, some orchid shades, both single and double, some with pink fillings. Height 5 to 6 feet. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

**Lamartine.** One of the newer introductions. The 3-foot plant has very pretty dark green foliage and stands very erect. Flowers are a very dark blue, almost purple and quite large. Blooms very well in ordinary soil with proper alkaline content. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**Zalil, "Golden Spire."** A lovely Delphinium of clear soft yellow, faintly flecked with orange. Individual florets about the size of Belladonna and well arranged on strong spikes. A mature plant produces many laterals, insuring a longer season of bloom; excellent for its cutting and keeping qualities. The plants reach a height up to 6 feet, but average 4 to 5 feet. The root is small and bulb-like. The feeder roots die back when the plant becomes dormant after blooming and show no signs of life until very early in spring. For successful culture provide a mulch as soon as they become dormant to prevent drying out during summer and heaving in winter. First-year blooming size, each 60c; 5 for \$2.50; 2-yr. size \$1.00 each.

**DORONICUM caucasicum (Leopard's-bane).** Very showy perennial with large, bright yellow daisy-like flowers on tall stems. Prized for its early spring flowering and invaluable for cutting. Sun or partial shade. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**DIANTHUS atrococcineus fl.-pl. (Double Sweet William).** Intense deep scarlet, double flowers. Very brilliant in the garden and fine for cutting. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Cæsius\* (Cbeddar Pink).** A compact plant with dense tufts of glaucous foliage and bearing fragrant rose-colored flowers on 6-inch stems in midsummer. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**Deltoides, Brilliant.\*** A beautiful rock-plant. Grows in prostrate tufts and bears a profusion of brilliant crimson flowers on 6 to 8-inch stems during June, July. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**DICENTRA eximia (Plumy Bleeding-Heart).** A most attractive border plant. Has beautiful fernlike leaves and the drooping heart-shaped rose or pink flowers are produced freely all summer and fall. Full shade or sun. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**Spectabilis (Bleeding-Heart).** An old favorite that is very attractive in any border. Crimson blooms on arching racemes with graceful finely cut foliage. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**GAILLARDIA grandiflora, Burgundy.** An improved strain of Gaillardia with deep wine-colored flowers. Grows 2 to 3 feet high and blooms all summer. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**GEUM Borisi (Avens).** One of the newest of the Geum family, and among the finest. Neat, dark green, tufted foliage. Vivid orange-scarlet flowers borne on branching stems 16 to 20 inches high during May. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

**GYPSOPHILA, Bristol Fairy (Double Baby's Breath).** Blooms throughout the entire summer. Large individual blossoms of purest white are densely set on the many branching stems. Field-grown, grafted plants, each 50c; 3 for \$1.35; 10 for \$4.00.

**Oldhamiana (Pink Baby's-Breath).** A pink variety desirable for cutting. The buds appear white but open to a lively shade of pink. Each flower measures about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch in diameter. 2 to 3 feet. July, August. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

**HELIOPSIS scabra incomparabilis (Orange Sun-flower).** The finest Heliopsis. A very easily grown perennial. Flowers very large (3 inches or more across), semi-double, rich golden yellow, borne all summer. 3 feet. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**LIATRIS pycnostachya (Blazing Star; Kansas Gay-feather).** Long spikes of rosy purple flowers 4 feet high in midsummer. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**LINUM flavum (Golden Flax).** An attractive and profuse-blooming perennial suitable for border or rock-garden. Grows 1 foot high; lemon-yellow flowers June to August. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**Narbonnese\* (Narbonne Flax).** A fine 2-foot plant for the rock-garden. It has attractive foliage and a profusion of azure-blue flowers, with white eye, from June to Sept. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**LYTHRUM Salicaria roseum (Purple Loosestrife).** Showy plant for the moist, shady location in the border. Very stately; bears its rosy flowers in profusion on tall, leafy spikes, 2 to 3 feet high, June to September. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**MYOSOTIS palustris\* (Forget-me-not).** A prostrate, creeping rockery plant, only 6 inches high, which likes a moist, shady position in ordinary soil. Sky-blue flowers with yellow eyes from June to October. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

*\*Plants Suitable for Rock-Garden*



# HARDY PERENNIALS, continued

**PENTSTEMON barbatus praecox** (*Beard-Tongue*). Very hardy plant, growing a compact rosette of glossy leaves at crown with many bloom-spikes 2 to 3 feet in height, ranging from fuchsia-purple through red to light pink, all summer. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Grandiflorus**. This plant is rapidly gaining popularity for its beautiful foliage and lavender flowers. Foliage is heavy, blue-green, remaining in good condition all through the year. During June large trumpet-shaped lavender flowers are borne on 2 to 3-foot spikes, that are very erect, and need no staking. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

## PHLOX

**DECUSSATA** (*Hardy Phlox*). These hardy plants are the most effective and useful in the garden during the late summer months. Everyone loves the brilliant colors in Phlox. We offer those most liked and that grow easily in ordinary good soil.

**Bridesmaid**. White with crimson eye.

**Firebrand**. Brilliant orange-scarlet.

**Miss Lingard** (*Pbiox suffruticosa*). Beautiful shiny green foliage. Absolutely free from disease.

**Rheinlander**. Large flower-heads of beautiful salmon-pink on stout stems.

**R. P. Struthers**. Bright rosy carmine with claret-red eye.

**Thor**. A beautiful shade of deep salmon, overlaid with a scarlet glow; small red eye.

**Von Hochberg**. The best blood-red variety.

Any of above, each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75

One each of above (7 in all) \$1.50

**SUBULATA** (*Moss Pinks*). An early spring-flowering type with pretty, moss-like evergreen foliage. During April and May the plant is hidden under the mass of bloom.

**Alba**.\* Pure white flowers in April and May cover compact plants. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Atropurpurea**.\* Plants have the same good compact, moss-like foliage and are covered with carmine-red flowers in early spring. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Autumn Rose**. One of the finest, with very compact dark green foliage. Flowers are a beautiful deep pink with claret-red eye. Prized highly as it blooms so freely in the spring and again in the fall. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

**Lilacina**.\* A creeping variety completely covered with pale blue flowers in spring. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Rosea**.\* Plants are covered in early spring with brilliant rose-pink flowers. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**PLATYCODON grandiflorum Mariesi**\* (*Balloon Flower*). A dwarf species with broad, thick foliage and large deep blue flowers on 12-inch stems throughout the summer. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**PRIMULA cashmiriana**\* (*Primrose*). These hardy Primroses add charm to the rock-garden in early spring. Foliage is pretty during the year. The flower-heads are ball-shaped, of a rich lavender color and come very early in the spring. Plant in a rich, loamy soil in a shady position. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**Veris Hybrids**\* (*Cowslip*). One of the finest plants for the rock-garden. The many colors are very brilliant, ranging through lilac, purple, violet, buff, orange, salmon, yellow and rich reds. They bloom heavily during May and June. Requires a shady position in a moist well-drained soil. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.25.

**Veris, Munstead's Giants**.\* Beautiful rock-garden plant. The foliage and habit of growth is like the Veris Hybrid. Giant umbels of large, well-formed flowers in white and many different shades of yellow in May. Thrives in a shady location. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**RUDBECKIA Newmanii** (*Coneflower*). A valuable plant for the border. Deep orange-yellow flowers with dark purple cones are borne on long, wiry stems 3 feet high throughout the summer. Fine for cutting. Plant in any good garden soil. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Purpurea** (*Purple Coneflower*). An excellent plant for grouping in front of shrubbery. Flowers are large, reddish purple, with large cone-shaped centers of brown, borne on 2-foot stems. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**SALVIA Pitcheri** (*Meadow Sage*). Very hardy plants with gray-green foliage and pretty sky-blue flowers borne on tall spikes 3 to 4 feet high during September and October. Valuable for its blue flowers at a time when bloom is scarce in the garden. They like a sunny position in any well-drained soil. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

**SAPONARIA ocymoides splendens**\* (*Soapwort*). An easily grown plant suitable for the rock-garden and margins of sunny borders. Plants are compact, yet trailing, forming mounds of dainty leaves. Flowers are rosy pink, produced in great quantities just above the foliage in late May and June. Does well in most any good soil. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**SEDUM** (*Stonecrop*). Effective dwarf plants for color contrast in the rockery. They thrive in the sunny spot of the rock-garden, and, by trailing around and among the rocks, they give an established appearance. All are easy to grow and demand little attention. Will grow where other plants will not thrive.

**Album murale**.\* A red-leaved form of Album having small, oblong leaves on brown stems. The white flowers have pink centers. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Divergens**.\* Green-tinted beads on red creeping stems. Flowers are yellow. Very unusual and pretty. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.



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**SEDUM spectabile**. An erect-growing variety, robust and glaucous, with stems 12 to 16 inches high, tipped with pink flowers in broad, flat cymes. Suitable for a taller plant in the rockery or low border. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Spurium**.\* A creeping variety with leaves in terminal rosettes. Turns a blood-red color in winter. Pink flowers in summer on 2 to 4-inch stems. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**SEMPERVIVUM globiferum**\* (*Houseleek*). Hairy, globe-shaped rosettes of gray-green that darken in the autumn to a dull bronze. Make a compact cluster that fits in nicely among rocks. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**STATICE latifolia** (*Sea-Lavender*). A valuable plant for the border. Its narrow, leathery leaves grow in clumps close to the ground. The large, loose heads of tiny blue flowers, produced in midsummer on 18 to 20-inch stems, are especially good for cutting and drying. Require a well-drained sandy soil. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**THALICTRUM adiantifolium** (*Meadow-Rue*). A fine hardy plant that is highly prized for its elegant, finely divided foliage which is used for mixing with cut-flowers. Miniature white flowers are borne in feathery clusters in June. They do well in sun or shade in a moist, well-drained soil. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

**Aquilegifolium**. Very attractive foliage like that of the Aquilegia. Rosy purple flowers are produced in June and July on 2 to 3-foot spikes. Useful as a cut-flower as well as being a fine plant for the hardy border. Will grow in either sun or shade in a well-drained soil. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.

**THYMUS citriodorus**.\* The well-known Lemon Thyme. A pretty, spreading plant for the rockery. The foliage is light green on stems of reddish green and has a pleasing lemon aroma. Short spikes of lavender flowers cover the plants in June and July. Plant in ordinary good soil in the rock-garden, terrace or along the garden walk. Will grow in sun or shade. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**Serpyllum**\* (*Wild Thyme*). This tidy little plant is prized for its fragrant foliage and neat-growing habit. Flowers are pink, closely set along the creeping stems, and borne in June and July. Plant in sun or partial shade in any good loose, moist soil. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**Serpyllum album**.\* White form of Serpyllum. A wonderful plant where a creeper is wanted. The foliage is always attractive and fragrant. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**TRITOMA** (*Red-Hot Poker*). Very popular plants for garden accent. They have long, narrow, grassy leaves and bear their drooping, tubular flowers in dense spikes on long stems 24 to 30 inches in height. Ideal in the border and can be used for cutting throughout the summer. Requires good loose fertile soil in sunny location.

**Hybrida, Express**. An early-flowering sort ranging from yellow to crimson-orange. Blooms from June to August. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**VERONICA corymbosa stricta**.\* A low-growing plant with prostrate tufted foliage. Azure-blue flowers are produced on 6 to 8-inch spikes in midsummer. New. Each 25c; 3 for 60c; 10 for \$1.75.

**Incana**.\* A gem for the rockery or low border, with its pretty contrast between foliage and flowers. Has narrow silver leaves in neat tufts, from which arise dainty spikes of violet-blue flowers. Very good for edging. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Longifolia subsessilis**. One of the handsomest blue-flowering plants. Very hardy and increases in strength and beauty each year. Spikes 2 feet high are completely covered with beautiful blue flowers in July and August. Fine for cutting and one of the best plants for the hardy border. Does well in any good soil. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

**Prostrata**.\* An early-blooming creeper covered with light blue flowers in May. Does well in full sun among the rocks. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Rupestris**.\* A fine rock-plant growing 2 to 3 inches high with thickly matted, dark green foliage, hidden in May and June under a cloud of bright blue flowers. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Spicata, Dwarf Blue**. Very fine variety for the low border. Plants grow compact and have very dark green foliage. Each plant grows many spikes of intense blue flowers 8 to 12 inches high in summer. Any ordinary good soil in sun is satisfactory. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**Spicata rosea**. A much-branched variety that bears pink flowers. Treat same as Dwarf Blue. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

**TROLLIUS Ledebouri** (*Globe Flower*). This plant is unexcelled for its beauty. A magnificent variety with globe-shaped, very deep orange flowers borne on 18 to 20-inch stems in summer. Require a rich soil in partial shade. Very pretty in the border. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 10 for \$2.00.

**VIOLA odorata** (*Double Russian Violet*). A perfectly hardy Violet and a gem for the rock-garden or bedding. Produces great masses of fine, large, double deep purple flowers of exquisite fragrance in early spring. Height 4 to 6 inches. Grows well in any good garden soil in partial to full shade. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00.





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Dear Friends:

We are combining our wild-flower list with the Perennials and Rock Plants this spring. This one complete list will be more convenient for you as well as being more conservative in time and work for us. The addition of descriptions of the wild flowers will also be helpful to you.

Since most of the spring-blooming wild flowers start growth with the first warm days, we suggest that you place your order as soon after receiving this list as possible and tell us how early you can receive them. These early orders will also make it possible for us to give better service. Shortage of help makes it difficult to care for all business during the planting season as we did in normal times.

We guarantee our plants to be of the best quality. Your many letters of commendation assure us that our methods of packing insure safe arrival of plants in good condition. We are always ready to make satisfactory adjustments.

Every order will be acknowledged promptly and will receive careful attention. Shipments will be made on specified date for orders booked early and as promptly as possible for those received at planting time. Please place orders well in advance if possible.

Orders will be sent by Parcel Post unless the size of the order makes Express advisable. We prepay all shipping costs.

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## HARDY FERNS

**ADIANTUM pedatum** (*Maidenhair-Fern*). Spreading, dainty, foliage on 12 to 16-inch wiry black stems. Grows in moist shade.

**ASPLENIUM platyneuron** (*Ebony Spleenwort*). Dwarf; evergreen foliage. Narrow leaves on 6 to 8-inch stems. Very desirable for rock-gardens in partial shade.

**ATHYRIUM Filix-femina** (*Lady-Fern*). A very showy Fern of vigorous growth. Height 2 to 3 feet. Grows in shade.

**BOTRYCHIUM virginianum** (*Rattlesnake-Fern*). The triangular fronds are deeply cut and spread out horizontally above the thick 10 to 12-inch stems. Grows in moist shade.

**DRYOPTERIS Linnæana** (*Oak-Fern*). Grows about 12 inches tall. Has broad leaves on slender stems. Grows in moist shade.

**ONOCLEA sensibilis** (*Sensitive-Fern*). Fronds are broad, with coarsely cut leaves. Height about 16 inches. Grows in moist shade.

**OSMUNDA cinnamomea** (*Cinnamon-Fern*). Strong, vigorous grower, attaining a height of 2 to 4 feet, depending upon soil and moisture. Does well in varied locations but prefers moisture in full shade.

**Claytoniana** (*Interrupted-Fern*). A tall species attaining a height of 3 to 4 feet. Foliage is light green and very pretty. The brown leaves of some fronds bear the seed spores. Grows in shade.

**Regalis** (*Royal-Fern*). Large luxuriant fronds that grow 2 to 4 feet tall. Green leaves touched with maroon make it very attractive. Grows in shade.

**POLYSTICHUM acrostichoides** (*Christmas-Fern*). An evergreen Fern with dark green, leathery fronds 12 to 18 inches tall that appear each spring and remain green all summer and winter. Very valuable for shady and semi-shady locations. Will also grow indoors.

**WOODSIA obtusa** (*Dwarf Woods-Fern*). Root-stocks produce several fronds with very delicate lacy foliage. Pretty in rock-gardens. Easy to grow in light or full shade.

**WOODWARDIA virginica** (*Chimney-Fern*). Broad fronds with finely cut leaves grow 18 to 24 inches tall. Very pretty. Grows in shade.

25c. each; 3 for 65c; 10 for \$2.00; 100 for \$17.50

